GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

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SUSPENSION OF PACHESHWAR HYDEL POWER PROJECT
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the survey work on Pancheshwar hydel power project likely to be constructed jointly by India-Nepal, has been suspended;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether equipments and other material worth lakhs of rupees were thrown into the Sharda river by the demonstrators during the demonstration against the survey work of the said project;

(d) if so, the loss suffered by the Government thereon;

(e) whether the Government is considering to wipe out such project; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (f) : According to the Treaty between His Majesty`s Government of Nepal and theGovernment of India on 12.2.1996, the investigations and the preparation of the Detailed Project Report arejointly being undertaken for Pancheshwar Multi-purpose Power Project in Nepal. There have been reports of attempt to place obstacles at the Nepalese bank on Purnagiri dam site where the drilling works are being carried out by a contractor. Notwithstanding this, preparation of Detailed Project Report on Pancheshwar is continuing as per schedule.